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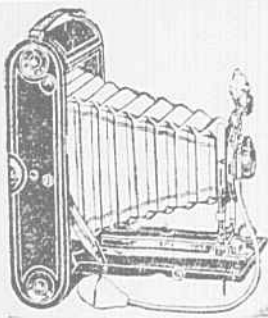
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Letter from Gotham

(From the Telegram's Regular Correspondent.)

Navy victory: New York, probably the greatest and richest city in the world which is at the mercy of a hostile fleet, is rejoiced over the victory of the preparedness program in the House, which has adopted, apparently without serious modification the Senate program which provides for the construction of eighty-one new vessels, of all kinds, the first year, and of 157 within three years. Representative Mann, the Republican leader, praised the action of the House enthusiastically, pointing out that the bill as passed was precisely what the Republicans had urged when the House first considered it. "I want to keep out of war," said Mr. Mann, "but we should be prepared to protect our rights at home and abroad." The "little navy" men howled dismally, charging Secretary Daniels with having "betrayed" them. Representative Gardner pointed out that the complaint of the "little navy" men was justified because Mr. Daniels had declared as recently as December 24, last, that the "little navy" program originally adopted by the House would strain the shipyards of the country, while little more

than a year ago President Wilson had denounced preparedness as hysteria. Then it was disclosed that the general board had found that from nine to eleven ships—instead of five—was the capacity of the big shipyards. "Mr. Daniels has been fighting tooth and nail against the navy," said Mr. Gardner, "until he was swept from his feet by public sentiment."

To go or not to go:—Hardly had the ink dried on the administration's announcement that an additional 25,000 militiamen would be sent to the Mexican border, going forward regardless of whether the organization had been recruited up to the heretofore minimum strength or were properly equipped, when a new announcement was made from Washington that the previous order had been countermanded. General Funston is made to assume responsibility for this change of mind, but those familiar with the extent to which General Funston's prior recommendations have been disregarded look for some other reason than that furnished the public. It is surmised that the suspicion of the railway employees had a considerable part in the administration's change of mind, and that for the rest it is merely another instance of its customary changeableness.

To stump or not to stump:—A few weeks ago it was formally announced at the White House that President Wilson would take the stump. Instead, as soon as he had Congress off his hands, he would retire to Long Branch and content himself with writing a few notes. No sooner had Governor Hughes taken the stump and begun to throw 42-centimeter shells over the administration's breastworks, than it was formally announced by Secretary Tumulty, for the president, that President Wilson would take the stump and go over "much the same ground" as Mr. Hughes. Now, three days later, and after a conference with National Chairman McCormick, President Wilson "definitely" announced that he will NOT take the stump, but (there is always a but) he will accept invitations to visit various parts of the country and make addresses on political subjects.

Mr. McCormick announced that Mr. Wilson "considered a stumping tour incompatible with the dignity of the office of president." He will, therefore, merely "visit various parts of the country to make addresses."

Hughes's plain talk:—It is the general comment on Governor Hughes's speeches that, whatever else may be said of them, they do not mince words. The Republican candidate speaks straight from the shoulder. For instance, his declaration that the Democratic plank promising protection to Americans in every part of the world is good doctrine and that he believes in making it real, and "I do not think that in making it real we should encounter the danger of war, while I would not shrink if we did," while it appeals to some, rather startles some of the old time. On the other hand his coupling his declaration that he would be neither "too proud" nor afraid to fight, with his forceful advocacy of a "world court for the settlement of international disputes," is an occasion of gratification to the host of Americans who, while in no sense cowards, are firmly convinced that war is an evil against which every possible precaution should be taken. Another straight from the shoulder statement which Mr. Hughes made at Tacoma was, "I would not shrink war if it came in the performance of our obvious duty in the protection of American rights. In the protection of American citizens, under international law, we do not endanger our peace. We conserve it."

Unity in Maine:—Republican and Democratic leaders recognize alike that it is to be war to the hilt in Maine, where two seats in the Senate, the governorship and four seats in the House are at stake, and which state usually has such a powerful moral influence on the subsequent election. Any lingering hope the Democrats have entertained of finding a divided opposition in Maine has gone glimmering. The Republicans have cornered most of the influential Progressive speakers and are to send them into the state. Among these, besides Colonel Roosevelt, are Hon. Arthur L. Garford, of Ohio, formerly Progressive candidate for senator in the Buckeye state; Hon. Raymond Robins, of Chicago, once a powerful Progressive leader in Illinois and later the chief but vain hope of the Democratic administration in Illinois; Hon. Henry J. Allen, of Kansas; Hon. Edward C. Toner, of Indiana, and also Hon. Oswald Ryan of the same state.

Jokesmith still joking:—The stage humorists are finding the national campaign almost as material for their purposes as they used to find for Ford automobiles. A rapid-fire talking team at one of the local theaters gets off this one. He: "Have you heard the latest Ford joke?" She: "Yes, Henry. Have you heard the latest presidential joke?" He: "No, what is it?" She: "Woodrow."

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In sprinkling streets each water taker must confine himself to the number of feet mentioned in his permit. Nozzles larger than one-fourth inch will not be permitted except upon additional charge, and sprinkling without a nozzle is forbidden.

Sprinkling streets and lawns is restricted to two hour per day, through hand hose held in the hand of a person on the premises of the water taker, one hour between 5 and 10 a. m., and one hour between 5 and 8 p. m. If a street sprinkler or hose is found out of order, leaking or used for any other purpose than that for which it was intended, the supply will be discontinued without previous notice.

Yard fountains or sprinkling devices will not be permitted unless the water shall first pass through a meter.

In deference to the general interest the use of a hose is strictly prohibited during the continuance of a fire, or while the fire pressure is maintained, except to protect property in danger of burning.

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